Keep Nothing From Mother.

They sat at the spinning together,
And they spun the fine white thread;
One face was old and the other was

A golden and silver head.

At times, the young voice broke in song That was wonderfully sweet; And the mother's heart beat deep and calm,

For her joy was most complete.

There was many a holy lesson, Interwoven with silent prayer; Taught to her gentle, listening child, As they two sat spinning there.

'And of all that I speak, my darling, From my older head and heart, God giveth me one last thing to say, And with it thou must not part.

"Thou wilt listen to many voices, And ah! woe that this must be! The song of praise and the voice of love And the voice of flattery.

"But listen to me, my little one. There's one thing thou must fear-Let never a word to my love be said Which her mother may not hear.

"No matter how true, my darling one, The words may seem to thee, They are not fit for my child to hear If they cannot be told to me.

"If thou'lt ever keep thy young heart

And thy mother's heart from fear, Bring all that is said to thee by day At night to thy mother's ear.

KATF'S BROTHER JACK.

chums to bim the other day, as if ravines. the fact was rather surprising.

friends."

when you are out together."

some other fellow's sister."

Kate Hazell, and wondering why gery, he recovered. they would if they were "some other panion. fellow's sisters." Jack is a shining exception. He kneels to put on Kate's shoes as gallandy as if she were Bessie Dare, and Bessie Dare is at present Jack's ideal of all that

too, if Kate does anything for him, progenitor. her kindness is always acknowledged. Does she take the trouble to her efforts are appreciated.

saucer, or embroider him a nat-band, America still. he is as delighted as possible. He | Seriously, it is a little singular does not take all these things as a that the war which was waged for matter of course. On Saturday the emancipation of the black man nights he is apt to remember her by a box of candy, a bunch of flowers, or a bottle of her favorite violet per-

envy him his good fortune in pos- the soldiers of Xenophon with the sessing so devoted a sister as Kate. lotos, they fell so much in love with and they have been heard to say it as an article of diet that as soon frankly, that they wish their sisters as they returned to their homes in were as nice as Kate Hazell. If the North they began to clamor for those boys would pursue the same it, and the Southern farmer turned course of action toward their sisters his attention from the negro to his that Jack does toward his, they neighbor, the peanut, and soon the SILK FRINGES, TRIMMINGS. might, perhaps, be rewarded with as growing of peanuts came to be a delightful a result; for it is by great industry in portions of Virgin-little acts of kindness, and courtesy. ia, North Carolina and Tennessee. and consideration, that Jack has Norfolk Virginian. made of his sister a friend whose votion will never falter, and whose For Sc. stamp. Chas. Folsom, N.Y.City FREE loyalty will never fail while life shall last.—Christian at Work.

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Not long sin a railway train loaded with over six hundred passengers, was running across New Jersey. By some mishap to the machinery, s back draft drove the steam and flames into the cab and forced the fireman and engineer to retreat from the locomotive to the baggage car. The tender was set on fire, and the train

dashed along without control. An attempt was made to get to the air brakes in the rear of the train. but the block of frightened passen-

neither be penetrated nor surmounted. Seeing the destruction that threatened the six hundaed lives, the engineer, Joseph A. Sieg, rushed through the smoke and flame back to the burning cab.

Nearly a minute passed-it seemed an age to the paralyzed passengers, penned up, and swiftly rushing to a horrible death-and then the train stopped. The passengers knew that the engineer; had succeeded in putting on the air brakes and in reversing the engine.

The stopping of the train allowed the flame to shoot upward and to disclose the tender. A man's head was seen in the water-tank. Two men rushed forward and lifted out the half-consumed engineer.

He had jumped in the water to extinguish his burning clothes. His flesh was scorched an over his body. and from both hands it hung in shreds.

In three days he died, a martyr to duty.

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The writer of these paragraphs knew an engineer who saved his passengers by deliberately going down, with his engine, into a yawning chasm. He was running on the Cincinnati and Marietta road, which was "You seem to think a great deal then made extra hazardous by the of your sister," said one of Jack's high trestles erected over wide

One da , as he was descending a "Why, yes, I do," responded Jack, downward grade, he saw that the tres heartily. "Kit and I are great the which bridged a gulf over a hundred feet deep had twister, out of "You always," continued the oth- line. He could easily have saved er, "seem to have such a good time himself, as the fireman did, by jump-

"Well," laughed Jack, "the fact is. But he whistled "down brakes." that when I have Kit out, I keep all reversed the engine, and went down. the while forgetting that she isn't with his hand on the trottle valve. He saved his passengers, for the cars I pondered somewhat over this stopped on the abyss. They found conversation, wishing that all the him at the bottom, with a broken brothers and sisters in the world thigh, arm, collar bone and ribs. were as good friends as Jack and | Thank's to the skill of American sur-

they were not. It struck me that It is well for passengers to think the answer to my query was con- of these facts when they see the grimy tained in Jack's last sentence. Boys man, with soiled clothes, looking out don't usually treat their sisters as of the cab-window .- Youth's Com-

HOW THE WAR BROUGHT THE PEANUT INTO PROMINENCE.

Norfolk is now the largest peanut is loveliest in girlhood. He keeps market in the world, except Marhis engagements with Kate punctili- seilles, France. and the peanut trade ously; for instance, when Jack has here has grown to be an important Kate at a company, and asks her for feature of our commerce. Besides a certain dance, and afterward dis numerous commission houses, where covers that his bright particular star they are handled, we have two large can give him that dance and no other, he does not consider that fact a ploy some two hundred hands and sufficient excuse for taking Miss have a capacity for cleaning about Dare and leaving Kate. He takes one thousand bushels per day. The Kake in to supper, himself, and cares cleaning process is simple. The for her in all ways as an escort peanuts are first placed in a large reshould; and Kate knows what to volving drum, which takes off the expect of him, and what to do herdirt and the rough surface. Thence self, and is not in dread of desertion, they are passed through brushes or of being left to the tender mercies which polish the surface and finally of any one who notices her forlorn condition. And I den't wonder, when I see how nice whe treats her. that Kate declares that she would rather have her brother Jack for an escort the nalmost any one else in the wealth of the surface and finally over a series of canvass strips in motion, about which a number of hands stand and assort them as they come along, picking out the faulty ones and allowing the choice peas to find their way into bags.

The peanut is a native of Africa, At home, too, Jack is a pattern. though it has never had the advant-Though there is a constant merry age of an emancipation act and is war between brother and sister, and still bought and sold as a commerjokes and repartees fly thick and cial commodity. It has, however, fast, yet it is always fair cut and materially improved its condition by thrust between them, all for sport, coming to a civilized country and is and naught for malice; the wit never | now much larger and daintier than degenerates into rudeness. Then, its African brother, or, let us say,

The African article was once largely imported to this country, but make for him his favorite rice grid- it is no longer a favorite with us and dle-cakes, and then stay in the an invoice of African peas shipped to kitchen to bake them herself, that New York last year was not market they may acquire that delicate gold able. The variety now finds its en brown which is so dear to the market in Marseilles, where it and taste of all who love them truly, the Indian cotton seeds are manufac-Jack never fails to assure her that tured into olive oil and imported to this country so that in point of fact Does she paint him a teacup and the African pea does find its way to

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